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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND  
DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

*Tuesday 24 May 2022 (at 13:00), Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams*

**PRESENT**

**Members**

**Democratic Alliance**

America, D (Alternate)  
Schäfer, BA (Alternate)  
Van der Westhuizen, AP (Chairperson)

**African National Congress**

Marran, P

**GOOD**

August, SN

**Freedom Front Plus**

Marais, PJ

**Apologies**

Ms LJ Botha, Member of the Democratic Alliance  
Mr G Bosman, Member of the Democratic Alliance  
Mr A Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning  
Mr M Ramasodi, Director-General - Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development  
Mr M Odendal, Senior Officer - Stakeholder Management and Communication (WCPP)  
Mr R Baboo, Manager - Knowledge Management and Information Services (WCPP)

**The following persons were in attendance:**

**Ministry of Infrastructure**

Ms V Njalo, Head of Ministry  
Ms C Hartnick, Personal Assistant

**Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development**

Ms C Knoesen, Chief Registrar of Deeds - Legal Support Services  
Ms A Reynold, Deputy Registrar of Deeds - Legal Support Services  
Mr R Sebifelo, Parliamentary Liaison Officer

**Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning**

Mr G Gerber, Head of Department  
Ms H Jacobs, Acting Chief Director - Development Planning  
Mr T Rebel, Chief Town and Regional Planner  
Mr K Munro, Director Land Management  
Mr D Johnstone, Town and Regional Planner  
Mr R Samaai, Town and Regional Planner

**Department of Human Settlements**

Ms P Masiko-Kambala, Director - Policy and Research  
Mr Jerome Kaplain, Deputy Director - Policy and Research

**Department of Transport and Public Works**

Mr G Kode, Deputy Director-General Public Works  
Ms L Mabuntane, Chief Director - Public Private Partnership and Public Works

**Western Cape Provincial Parliament**

Mr J Vermeulen, Senior Procedural Officer  
Ms S Niekerk, Procedural Officer  
Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant  
Mr S Hassam, Information Technology Assistant  
Ms C Morris, Information Technology Assistant

Adv Romeo Maasdorp, Law Adviser  
Mr K Mkunyana, Senior Public Education and Outreach Officer  
Ms O Madlingozi, Public Education and Outreach Officer

**1. Opening and welcome**

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Committee, the departmental officials as well as the officials from the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.

## **2. Briefing by the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning on the Growth Potential of Towns in the Western Cape**

The Department provided the Committee with the background and purpose of the Growth Potential Study (GPS) by outlining the evidence needed to inform planning and strategy in order to determine where investments should be prioritised to support growth. The ways in which growth potential was measured as well as the growth potential ranking for municipalities from 2013 to 2018 was highlighted.

The Committee was informed that there had been three previous versions of the GPS, the first produced in 2004. Subsequent iterations were produced in 2010 and 2013. The latest version was the GPS 2018 that used the methodology of the 2013 version, but that the indicators have been updated with more recent data.

The Department further informed the Committee that it would update the GPS 2018 with settlement level data following the Census 2022.

The Committee deliberated.

## **2. Briefing by the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development on the Sectional Titles Amendment Bill [B 31B–2020] (NCOP) (s76)**

The National Department briefed the Committee on the Amendment Bill with specific reference to content, proposed amendments to specific clauses and the reasons, impact and affected stakeholders.

The Committee deliberated.

## **3. Discussion on the public participation process to be followed in respect of the Sectional Titles Amendment Bill [B 31B–2020] (NCOP) (s76)**

The Chairperson defined the Committee's constitutionally mandated function in terms of public participation and provided the Committee with a proposal for public engagement on the aforementioned Amendment Bill that included public participation methods and tools for creating public awareness.

### **3.1 The Committee RESOLVED that:**

- 3.1.1 Advertisements be placed in newspapers that are circulated in the whole of the province and that these newspapers cover all three of the official languages of the Western Cape;
- 3.1.2 Members of the public be given at least 21 days to comment;
- 3.1.3 Members of the public be given an opportunity to comment by sending voice notes on WhatsApp;
- 3.1.4 Members of the public be invited to indicate whether they would like to appear before the Committee, be it virtually or in person, to make a verbal submission based on a written submission received;
- 3.1.5 A recorded message be prepared that can be forwarded to contacts and interested stakeholders in order to alert people of the opportunity to comment on the Amendment Bill;
- 3.1.6 The recorded message, together with a media statement, be forwarded to radio stations; and
- 3.1.7 Based on the strength of public input received, it would be decided whether to engage wider by conducting public hearings in various venues throughout the province or whether public hearings would be limited to virtual meetings.

**4. Consideration and adoption of Draft Committee Minutes**

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Minutes of 10 May 2022, which were considered and adopted.

**5. General**

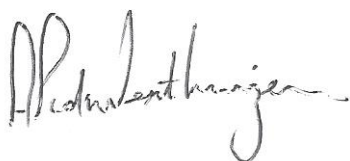
The Chairperson reminded the Committee of the upcoming committee oversight visit to the Southern Cape and that the departure date was Monday 13 June 2022 with a return date of 15 June 2022 in order for members to be in their respective constituencies for Youth Day.

The Chairperson also informed the Committee of the upcoming Cluster B Visit Week that has been scheduled from 20 to 24 June 2022 in the Overberg Region and that the theme for the week was "Dignity".

**6. Closing**

The Chairperson expressed his appreciation to the members for their active participation in the meeting and also to the officials for their contribution to the success of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 15:35.



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**MR AP VAN DER WESTHUIZEN, MPP**  
**CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

Date: .....7 June 2022.....